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1. Method for enabling a content provider initiated delivery of a content clip to a mobile terminal (4) via a communication network, which communication network comprises radio access networks (1,2) of at least two different types, and which content clip provided by said content provider (3) is required to be delivered to said mobile terminal (4) via a radio access network of a specific one of said at least two types, said method comprising:
 - determining said type of radio access network (2) required for delivering said content clip based on an indication associated to said content clip and determining the type of radio access network (1) via which said mobile terminal (4) currently accesses said communication network;
 - in case said mobile terminal (4) accesses said communication network currently via a radio access network (1) of a different type than required for delivering said content clip, triggering a handover of said mobile terminal (4) to a radio access network (2) of said type required for delivering said content clip; and
 - delivering said content clip to said mobile terminal (4) via said radio access network (2) of said type required for delivering said content clip.

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2. Method according to claim 1, wherein said content clip provided by said content provider (3) is included in a multimedia message.
3. Method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein an indication of the type of radio access network (2) required for delivering said content clip is provided by said content provider (3) together with said content clip.
4. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein all content clips provided by a specific content provider (3) are required to be delivered via a specific type of radio access network (2), and wherein said indication associated to said content clip is given by an identification of the origin of said content clip.
5. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein an indication of the type of radio access network (2) required for delivering said content clip is separately fetched from a network entity or extrapolated from the content clip.
6. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein said content clip provided by said content provider (3) is stored in a database until said mobile terminal (4) to which said content clip is to be delivered is known to access said communication network via a radio access network (2) of said type required for delivering said content clip.

7. Method according to one of the preceding claims, further comprising transmitting a notification to said mobile terminal (4), which notification indicates that said mobile terminal (4) may request a delivery of said provided content clip, wherein a handover of said mobile terminal (4) to a radio access network of a type required for a delivery of said content clip is only triggered upon a request by said mobile terminal (4) to deliver said content clip, and wherein said content clip is only delivered to said mobile terminal (4) upon a request by said mobile terminal (4) to deliver said content clip.
8. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein an identification of a subscriber using said mobile terminal (4) to which said content clip is to be delivered is compared with a stored list of identifications of mobile subscribers allowed to access said communication network via at least two different types of radio access networks (1,2), and wherein a handover is only triggered in case said subscriber is determined to be a subscriber which is able to access to said communication network via at least two different types of radio access networks (1,2).
9. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein said type of the radio access network (1) to which said mobile terminal (4) is currently connected is determined based on an available, stored information about the current connection of said mobile terminal (4).

10. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein said content clip is provided by said content provider (3) to a multimedia messaging service (MMS) relay and/or server (5) connected to said communication network, which MMS relay and/or server (5) triggers said handover of said mobile terminal (4) if required.
11. Method according to claim 10, wherein said MMS relay and/or server (5) determines whether a handover is required.
12. Method according to claim 10, wherein a unit connected to said MMS relay and/or server determines whether a handover is required.
13. Method according to one of claims 10 to 12, wherein for a handover said MMS relay and/or server (5) transmits an network controlled cell re-selection (NCCRS) trigger to the communication network.
14. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein in case of a triggered handover of a mobile terminal (4) accessing said communication network via a different type of radio access network (1) than required for delivering said content clip, said content clip is delivered to said mobile terminal (4) upon a notification that said triggered handover has been completed.

15. Method according to one of the preceding claims, wherein at least one of said radio access networks of said communication network is a third generation (3G) radio access network (1), and wherein at least one other of said radio access networks of said communication network is a second generation (2G) radio access network.
16. Communication system comprising a communication network with radio access networks (1,2) of a first type and of a second type and with means (GGSN, 3G-SGSN, 2G-SGSN, RNC, BSC) for performing an intersystem handover of a mobile terminal from a radio access network (1) of a first type to a radio access network (2) of a second type, said communication system further comprising at least one mobile terminal (4) with means for accessing said communication network via a radio access network (1) of said first type and a radio access network (2) of said second type, and said communication system further comprising an arrangement of at least one element (5) for connecting a content server (3) to said communication network, which content server (3) provides upon the initiation of a content provider content clips that are to be delivered to a mobile terminal (4) over said communication network via a radio access network (2) of said second type, which arrangement (5) comprises means for carrying out the steps of the method according to one of the preceding claims.
17. Arrangement of at least one element (5) for connecting a content server (3) with a communication

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network, said arrangement (5) comprising means for receiving content clips from said content server (3), which content clips are to be delivered upon initiation of a content provider to a mobile terminal (4) attached to said communication network via a specific type of radio access network (2), and said arrangement (5) further comprising means for performing the steps of the method according to one of claims 1 to 15.

18. Arrangement according to claim 17, comprising at least a multimedia messaging service (MMS) relay and/or server (5) for receiving said content clips from said content server and for triggering a handover of a mobile terminal (4) in said communication network.
19. Arrangement according to claim 18, comprising storage means connected to said MMS relay and/or server (5) for storing information based on which a handover is determined.
20. Arrangement according to claim 18 or 19, comprising processing means connected to said MMS relay and/or server (5) for determining the necessity of a handover.
21. Communication network comprising radio access networks of at least two different types and means (GGSN, 3G-SGSN, 2G-SGSN, RNC, BSC) for performing an intersystem handover of a mobile terminal (4) accessing said communication network via a radio

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access network (1) of a first type to a radio access network (2) of a second type upon an information received from an arrangement of at least one element (5) connecting said communication network to a content server (3), which information indicates that an intersystem handover is required for a delivery of a content clip initiated by a content provider.